

COMMUNITY OUTREACH EFFORTS

March 2007

March 7, 2007 — Indiana Disproportionality Committee (IDC) Large Committee Meeting

The large committee meeting for IDC was originally scheduled for February 14th, however, due to extenuating weather circumstances the meeting had been rescheduled. The focus of the meeting was to provide updates from each sub-committee's progress and begin to open the floor for entities to be identified as Advisory Members to IDC. Representatives from the Public Policy Sub-Committee provided a briefing of the Commission status and its current place within the budget. Approval of IDC logo and letterhead were voted on and approved. In addition, the annual report was approved with the expectation the update of participation locations will include all White's Residential satellite locations. Dissemination techniques were discussed to spread the word that an Annual Report of IDC efforts has been completed and the decision to upload the document on the website was favored.

March 8, 2007 — Indiana Disproportionality Committee (IDC) Research Sub-Committee

The main focus of the meeting was to begin preparations to update the presentation statistics and to continue efforts to encourage individuals to participate on the research sub-committee so documents can be revised and updated. The next step for committee members will be to compare and contrast fields collected from the various systems to the Department of Child Services' databank. In addition the brochure was discussed to ensure that all information is documented and National and State information are clearly distinguished.

March 13, 2007 — Indiana Juvenile Detention Association (IJDA)

The primary focus of the meeting was to finalize and ensure that execution of tasks had began in reference to next month's (April) Juvenile Detention Association Summit. The Summit is to be held in Lebanon, Indiana and lasts a day and a half. ICJI staff provided an update which included: New SAG members being appointed and current timeline for Title II funding cycle.

March 14, 2007 — Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP): DMC Coordinator's Conference Call The conference call focused on the anticipated roll out date of the modernized RRI DMC Database. OJJDP representatives requested that all information be entered into the database prior to March 30th. The call also provided an open floor for Coordinator's to mention accomplishments, continued efforts, and upcoming initiatives.

March 16, 2007— Indiana Disproportionality Committee (IDC) Training Sub-Committee

The training committee recently obtained approval from the Internal Review Board (IRB) for the survey created to assess cultural diversity in the various systems. The time allotted was for lists to be submitted to IU School of Social Work (entity administering survey) so diverse representation from each system could be included to participate in the survey.

March 27, 2007— Indiana Disproportionality Committee (IDC) Public Policy Sub-Committee

Continued tracking of the bill for a Commission on Disproportionality is currently the focus for the sub-committee. The Commission did not receive a formal hearing but will be included in budget bill sent to Senate Chambers for review.

March 27, 2007— Indiana Disproportionality Committee (IDC) Community Awareness Sub-Committee

The members went through the IDC website that is being hosted and maintained by ICJI staff. All suggestions and revisions to website will be submitted and discussed with ICJI webmaster. The Committee has also began to brainstorm ideas for the Newsletter to be disseminated to both active and recruited members. The next project for the committee will be creating "Welcome" packets to new members.

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